

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
CENTRAL
MINUTE ORDER**

Date: 12/08/2008

Time: 10:00:00 AM

Dept: C-71

Judicial Officer Presiding: Judge Ronald S. Prager
Clerk: Kathleen Sandoval

Bailiff/Court Attendant: L. Wilks
ERM: Peter Stewart

Case Init. Date: 12/03/2001

Case No: JCCP4221

Case Title: JCCP4221 COORDINATION PROCEEDING
NATURAL GAS ANTI-TRUST CASES

Case Category: Civil - Unlimited

Case Type: Antitrust/Trade Regulation

Event Type: Motion Hearing (Civil)

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Appearances:

Appearances see attached sign in sheets.

The Court confirms the tentative ruling as follows:

TENTATIVE RULING: The Court rules on defendant AEP Energy Services, Inc.'s ("AEP") motion for determination of good faith settlement as follows:

This unopposed motion for good faith settlement is GRANTED for the reasons stated below.

The factors that a Court considers in evaluating whether a settlement was made in good faith is set forth in Tech-Bilt, Inc. v. Woodward-Clyde & Associates (1985) 38 Cal.3d 488, 499 (hereafter "Tech-Bilt"). Here, AEP set forth sufficient evidence for this Court find that the requirements outlined in Tech-Bilt have been met in this case. Based on the information provided by the moving party, the Court concludes that the settlement between the Class Plaintiffs and AEP is within the ballpark of its proportionate share of liability. (Wolinsky Dec., Exh. 1.)

IT IS SO ORDERED.